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Status							
1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 28 A	oril 2006.						
•	action is non-final.						
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closed in accordance with the practice under E							
Disposition of Claims							
4)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-19</u> is/are pending in the application.							
4a) Of the above claim(s) <u>1-16</u> is/are withdrawn from consideration.							
5) Claim(s) is/are allowed.							
6)⊠ Claim(s) <u>17-19</u> is/are rejected.							
7) Claim(s) is/are objected to.							
8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/o	r election requirement.						
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Application Papers							
9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.							
10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.							
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11)☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Ex	caminer. Note the attached Office	Action or form PTO-152.					
Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119							
<ul> <li>12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).</li> <li>a) All b) Some * c) None of:</li> <li>1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.</li> </ul>							
2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No							
<ol><li>Copies of the certified copies of the prior</li></ol>		ed in this National Stage					
application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).							
* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.							
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#### **DETAILED ACTION**

### Election/Restrictions

1. Applicant's election with traverse of Group III, Claims 17-19 in the reply filed on March 24, 2006 is acknowledged. The traversal is on the ground(s) that an undue search burden does not exist. This is not found persuasive because the inventions have acquired a separate status in the art in view of their different classification, hence restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper. Additionally, each invention would require a separate search strategy and consequently places an undue search burden on the examiner.

The requirement is still deemed proper and is therefore made FINAL.

## **Priority**

- 2. Acknowledgment is made of applicant's claim for foreign priority based on applications filed in JP on 10/22/2001. It is noted, however, that applicant has not filed a certified copy of the JP 2001-323876 and JP 2001-338312 applications as required by 35 U.S.C. 119(b).
- 3. Applicant is requested to submit clear and legible documents in any subsequent correspondence with the USPTO.

## Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

- 4. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:
  - A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -
  - (b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

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5. Claims 17-19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Milligan (US 5,663,215).

6. Milligan discloses a composition comprising a polymer (A), which comprises 1-50% molar ratio of a monomer (A1) to (A2); an example of (A2) includes methacrylic acids and their amide derivatives (col. 4, lines 45-54; col. 5, lines 40-42). The composition also comprises a polysiloxane component (B), which further comprises a silane coupling agent in an amount of 0.05-10% by weight, based on the weight of component (B) in the composition (col. 11, lines 58-62). The composition further comprises zirconium, a catalyst, present in an amount of 0.01-5% by weight, based on the weight of the total composition (col. 8, lines 17-22; col. 10, lines 9-11). Wherein upon calculation of the claimed ratios, the ranges disclosed by Milligan overlap and hence anticipate the claimed ratio ranges. Wherein Milligan does not disclose the present of chromium in the compound, hence it is inherent that the composition does not contain chromium. Miligan discloses that the composition can be used as a surface treatment for various structures made of metal (col. 1, lines 13-18).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Saira Raza whose telephone number is (571) 272-3553. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 9am-5pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, James Seidleck can be reached on (571) 272-1078. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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